Remarks

The specification has been amended to include a reference to the priority applications.

Claims 1,3,4,5,6 and 9 are currently amended to remove multiple dependencies, reference indicia and transitionary language in order to meet the requirements of the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Claims 2 is an original claim as per the PCT published application. Claims 7,8 and 10 are cancelled. Claims 11 and 12 are newly added.

No fee is believed to have been incurred by virtue of this amendment. However if a fee is incurred on the basis of this amendment, please charge such fee against deposit account 07-0832

Respectfully submitted, Dirk Gandolph Jobst Hoerentrup Ralf Ostermann Hartmut Peters Carsten Herpel

Jorge Tony Villabon Attorney for Applicant Registration No. 52,322 609/734-6445

THOMSON Licensing Inc. Patent Operation PO Box 5312 Princeton, NJ 08543-5312

Date: 02 June 61